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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Control No. 494524
EIC -M-88
10 August 1960

Minutes of Meeting Held in
Room 1121, Temporary M Building
26th Street and Constitution Avenue, N. W.

1000 hours, 10 August 1960

PRESENT:

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[REDACTED] CIA, Acting Chairman
John W. Easton, Joint Staff
Kingsley W. Hamilton, Department of the Air Force
Dr. Norris G. Kenny, Office of the Secretary of Defense
Cdr. Thomas W. Walsh, Department of the Navy
Mrs. Doris S. Whitnack, Department of State
Baxter Wood, Department of the Army

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[REDACTED] National Security Agency
Bennett V. S. Davis, Department of the Navy
*Edward R. Van Sant, Office of the Secretary of Defense
Wendell W. Woodbury, Department of State
Jerome Forrest, International Cooperation Administration
Eugene T. Olsen, Department of Agriculture

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ANNOUNCEMENT:

I. The Acting Chairman announced that the EIC members have approved, by interim action, the revised draft Annual Report of the EIC to USIB; the Secretariat is now preparing the report in final form for presentation to USIB at an early date.

* Present for part of meeting.

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EIC-R14-S9, "SINO-SOVIET BLOC ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN UNDER-DEVELOPED AREAS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1960":

2. Dr. Kenny, the OSD representative, proposed that the Working Group consider publishing a shorter summary (preferably not more than three or four pages long) that would review the Soviet techniques and stratagems employed in their economic warfare during the past four- or five-year period. Such a summary would be designed primarily for top-level people throughout the Government. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the Working Group would include this information as a separate item in an early issue of the Biweekly.

Mr. Forrest, the ICA representative, discussed at some length future reporting needs in the over-all field of Bloc penetration. He stressed the need for an estimate which would present a view of Bloc accomplishments measured against their objectives in the under-developed areas. He stated that this was a difficult problem to solve and that he had no definite solution to offer. This led to a general discussion, but it was decided that most of the objectives mentioned were outside the scope of the terms of reference of the EIC.

A page-by-page review of the report was undertaken and a number of modifications were suggested and accepted. Mr. Davis, Department of the Navy, expressed doubt as to the value of reporting so fully on Spain and Portugal since they were so little involved with the Soviet Bloc. The EIC members, however, agreed to retain the coverage for the current issue of the Semiannual with the expectation that the space allotted to these countries would be drastically reduced in the future.

The members of the Working Group were commended by the EIC for their efforts in producing an excellent report.

3. Action: The EIC approved EIC-R14-S9, authorizing the Secretariat to incorporate the revisions which had been agreed upon and to make additional editorial changes as required.


Executive Secretary

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